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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR VENDING PRODUCTS

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

TO 3600 MAIL ROOM

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 12, 2000, said period of response being extended from July 12, 2000 to October 12, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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Respectfully submitted,

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